

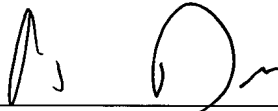
REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is requested prior to the initial examination of the above-identified patent application. Various claims were amended for dependency. A substitute specification is also provided, along with a redline version showing changes to the English translation. These changes were made for idiomatic English and to simplify the specification. No new matter has been added. If the Examiner has any suggestions for placing this application in even better form, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned and the number listed below.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. SHO-0054 (80331-0054) from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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